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SECURITY INFORMATION

Assistant Director for Operations

9 June 1952

Chief, Foreign Documents Division

FDD Monthly Progress Report - May 1952

1. The transmittal of unclassified translation work was further streamlined to more expeditiously serve the requesting offices. Checking of completed translations before transmittal to requesters has been eliminated.

2. A survey of FDD's Service of Requirements, as suggested by OIC, was completed 26 May 1952.

3. A survey of the DEX/CTS operation was completed and tentative plans were drawn for possible expansion of this service.

4. Mr. Robert Amory, Jr., Assistant Director for Research and Reports visited FDD on 19 May 1952 for a briefing of the Division's operations.

5. FDD participated in CIA briefing by OPC on a new project. Briefing showed that FDD could materially assist in preparation for this operation.

6. Commendations

Written commendation was received from Medical Division/SI for FDD's reports on hog cholera.

Telephone commendation was received from OCI for a report concerning a Bulgarian decree.

Written appreciation was received from ONI for service rendered.

Telephonic commendation was received from communications branch/RR for a report on radio equipment in Poland and Bulgaria.

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8. Potential duplication was prevented in 38 cases during the month through coordination by the DEX file. There were 62 inquiries concerning 132 items from 17 offices. Eleven DEX subject surveys identified 320 pertinent reports. Scientific entries sent to OSI numbered 350.

9. Noteworthy reports produced:

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Minister of Public Security Announces China-Wide Purge of Public Security System

Overseas Chinese Press Opinion on the Kowloon Incident

Treatment of Religious Reform Movement in Chinese Communist Press During 1951

Protest Against Pakistan Anti-Indian Film (first FID report prepared from Bengali language)

DOBAAF Trains in Air-Raid Shelter Construction

DOBAAF Primary Organizations Compelled to Form PVKHO Study Circles

Who's Who in Volga-Don Canal Construction

Seismologists Report on Stalinabad Earthquake

Supplementary Information on the Organization and Personnel of the Hydrometeorological Service of the USSR (Supplements Summary No. 51)

USSR Articles on Hog Cholera in 1947

Data on German Democratic Republic's Imports During Last 6 Months of 1951

Information on Albanian Coastal Defenses

Critical Appraisal of the German Democratic Republic's Five-Year Plan Shows Discrepancies in Statistics

Q-415 Report on the Indochinese Catholic Situation

Q-431 Karen Documents Reveal Leftist Orientation

Q-424 Captured Document Shows Volume of Soviet Material Supplied North Korean Press

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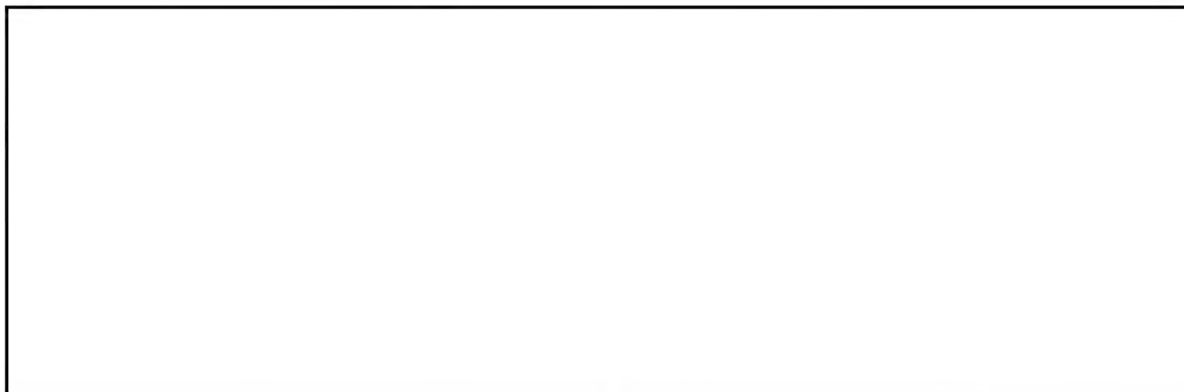
Q-418 The Polish Six-Year Economic Plan

Summary Academy of Architecture USSR
No 59

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From Federal Records Center, AGO, 228 captured Korean documents were obtained on loan for exploitation.

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In response to a request to [redacted] 45 issues of North Korean newspapers covering 5 titles for the period 13 January through 13 March 1952 were received this month.

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11. [redacted] Chief, Documents Control Branch, visited [redacted] for a survey of the foreign documents program.

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12. Diaries of Japanese PW's formerly interned in the USSR were screened at the request of OSO for information concerning the mistreatment of civilian forced laborers in the USSR. The screening of these documents will be maintained on a continuing basis until the supply of diaries is exhausted. The information sought will be used to support United Nations charges against the USSR. OSO also sought information in FDD concerning Reuters News Agency activities in colonial areas in regard to their reports of racial disturbances in the United States.

13. Japanese General Staff maps still in FDD possession are being screened at the request of the Air Force to determine whether airfields indicated on these maps as located in the Eastern USSR are those airfields of interest to the Air Force.

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14. Attached are details as follows:

Appendix A -- Statistical Report on FDD Operations

Appendix B -- Details on Personnel Actions

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Statistical Report on FDD Operations
Details on Personnel Actions

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